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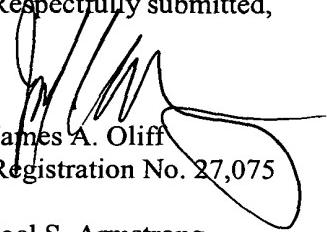
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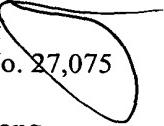
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- 5. Computer-generated English translations of the following Japanese Patent Publication have been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([\[http://www.jpo.go.jp\]](http://www.jpo.go.jp)), and are attached, but have not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 2-4.

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